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From the silt of the Mediterranean skin divers recover ships and wine jars; in the Royal Cemetery wax and liquid plaster help reconstruct the Standard of Ur as scientific method is utilized to salvage the remains of times past.

571 J58w

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The great pyramid of the ancient world and the soaring skyscraper of the modern give testimony to man's capacity to conceive and construct superb triumphs of engineering and science.

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Andor warned his tribe that the awesome ocean would drown their valley; and, for insisting on immediate flight, he suffered ostracism.

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By observation, experimentation, and sheer chance, man learns to build shelters, utilize skins as clothing, and fashion tools to make his life easier and more pleasant.

572 Q3e

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Heather is a gentle girl of the stone age people; Wolf Stone is a son of the wandering Sun people. They meet in a strange romance of antiquity.

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The discovery of fossilized elephant bones and a man-made flint point in London gravel directed searchers to the true tale of humanity's yesterdays.

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Prehistoric man and the primates

William E. Scheele

“Is there another species of human beings in our world?”

This question and many others are raised as men look for human fossils.

573 S315p

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From luminous cave paintings or crumbling fragments of bone archaeologists seek the origins of prehistoric man.

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primitive culture and beyond

Carleton S. Coon

When our first tree-living ancestor came down to the ground he began the development of homo sapiens and initiated the still unended search for food, tools, and means of transportation.

572 C775s

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Relentless ice ages, devastating earthquakes, fiery volcanoes, competition with savage beasts—all threatened man's existence for a half-million years.

573 C821w



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"Praise ye gods, O Nile, that issuest forth
from the earth and comest to enrich the dwell-
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*Hymn to the Nile, Middle Kingdom
Never to die
Josephine Mayer*

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Robert Silverberg

A believer in one God, an idealist, a dreamer comes on the
scene of a crumbling Egypt. 932 A5115s

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the doomed monuments of Nubia

Walter A. Fairservis

Egyptian history stretches back to the Ice Age when, ac-
cording to archaeological research, man already lived on the
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Egypt, gift of the Nile

Walter A. Fairservis

Temples and tombs, papyrus and pottery, conquest and
commerce—all were part of the civilization of this ancient land.
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Cyril Aldred

From the monumental pyramids, truly built for eternity, comes
our knowledge of how the Egyptians solved the problem of civi-
lization in this world and of life in the next. 932a A365eg

†The Egyptian

Mika T. Waltari

As it was written in the stars, Sinuhe the physician shared
the glory of Pharaoh Akhnaton's new City of the Heavens as well
as the disgrace of this unorthodox leader's downfall. Fiction

Egypt's queen Cleopatra Iris Noble
From her unhappy, unloved childhood to her dramatic death. Cleopatra used a woman's wiles to restore Egypt to its long lost power. 92 C628n

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With the sudden death of the Pharaoh Tutankhamen, young Queen Ankhes faced a hostile Egypt alone. Fiction

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Wall paintings and inscriptions from his tomb tell of the Vizier Rekhmire's family relaxing in the garden, hunting, studying, falling in love, and going to war. 932 C851L

The lost queen of Egypt Lucile P. Morrison
With the death of the Pharaoh, ambitious priests and unscrupulous generals eye the powerful throne of Egypt. Can the young Queen Ankhsenamon outwit them all? Fiction

Mara, daughter of the Nile Eloise J. McGraw
Spying for Queen Hatshepsut in exchange for freedom, a slave girl is caught between two causes when she falls in love with the disguised rebel leader. Fiction

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From the ruins of the lost-found city of Amarna and the tomb of Tutankhamen, Egyptologists have pieced together the story of a hauntingly beautiful woman and a powerful queen. 932 W453n

Never to die; the Egyptians in their own words Josephine Mayer
In popular love songs, remedies for itching and indigestion, a letter requesting a royal bride, and proverbs on good behavior, the ancient Egyptians give clues about themselves. 932a M468n

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Her husband, ill and uninterested in power, wore the double crown of Egypt; but the mind and hand that controlled the government were Hatshepsut's. Why, then, should she not be Pharaoh in reality? Fiction

Pharaohs of Egypt

Jacquetta Hawkes

"The history of ancient Egypt is written not in colorful narratives but in colossal statues, in vast temples whose walls are covered with hieroglyphic inscriptions, and in tomb objects whose brilliance remains undiminished after five thousand years."

932 H392p

The secrets of Tutankhamen's tomb

Leonard Cottrell

Who was the boy entombed in solid gold? Who filched treasures from King Tut's tomb before the excavations by Howard Carter? Is there any truth in the Pharaoh's curse? 932a C851s

†Temples, tombs, and hieroglyphs; the story of Egyptology

Barbara Mertz

From rubble of sand and stone, scraps of inscriptions and texts, broken pottery, jewels and other artifacts, archaeologists have reconstructed the drama that was Egypt. 932a M575t

The two reigns of Tutankhamen

William Wise

The tomb of the boy-king Tutankhamen, miraculously untouched for 3200 years, is proof of the gorgeous splendor of Egypt's 18th Dynasty. 932 W813t

†When Egypt ruled the East

George Steindorff

Kings and conquests, gods and heroes, magnificent architecture, sculpture, and poetry made the Golden Age of Egypt the most splendid civilization the world had yet seen. 932 S821w

Peoples of the Ancient Near East

"Much blood has been shed on the road of Mesopotamia. But many things of benefit to man have been won on that same road."

Mesopotamia

Walter A. Fairservis

Ancient Semitic civilizations

Sabatino Moscati

From the sands of Arabia the Semites pushed into Mesopotamia, Syria, Palestine, and Ethiopia, leavening the language, art, religion, and laws of much of the ancient world.

572.892 M894a

Cyrus the Great

Harold Lamb

He emerged from nowhere to conquer all the great empires of the known world.

92 C9975L

†Early Mesopotamia and Iran

Max E. L. Mallowan

In the fourth millennium B.C., when all other known peoples were still barbarians, the Sumerians built complex cities, developed literature and art, and recorded their triumphs in writing.

935a M255e

†Everyday life in Babylonia and Assyria

Georges Contenau

A taste for puns and riddles and the practice of slaves owning slaves were but two marks of this society that flourished in the Tigris-Euphrates Valley from 700-530 B. C.

935a C761e

Everyday life in Babylonia and Assyria

H. W. F. Saggs

Buried and almost forgotten for over 2000 years, Babylonian and Assyrian experiences in law, architecture, and administration laid the foundations of our western civilization.

935 S129e

†From the Tablets of Sumer: twenty-five
firsts in man's recorded history Samuel N. Kramer
“What were man's first recorded religious ideas? What did
the first histories, myths, epics, and hymns sound like? Who was
the first lawgiver?” 935a K89f

Mesopotamia, the civilization that
rose out of clay Walter A. Fairservis
Our writing, numbers, wheeled vehicles, architecture, and
law had their origins in the flat, fertile plains of Mesopotamia
where the Sumerian, Assyrian, and Babylonian empires flourished,
then fell into obscurity. 935t F172m

The purple quest, a novel of sea-faring
adventure in the ancient world Frank G. Slaughter
Straton discovered the secret of the purple dye that could
make Phoenicia wealthy—if the intrigues of Queen Dido's court
did not destroy the country first. Fiction

†The quest for Sumer Leonard Cottrell
“Who were the Sumerians? Where did they come from? What
kind of life did they live? And what brought about their down-
fall?” Explorers, archaeologists, and linguists have found some
answers but many mysteries remain to be solved. 933 C851qu

†The secret of the Hittites; the
discovery of an ancient empire Kurt W. Marek
A mighty empire which had subdued Babylonia and Egypt,
which had produced a humane code of laws and an enlightened
policy of alliances, lay buried and unknown until the twentieth
century. 939a M323s

†The Sumerians Sir Charles L. Woolley
The use of the arch, the dome, and the vault in architecture,
the laws of Moses, the art of writing all have their roots in the
civilization evolved by Sumerian genius. 930a W9134s

†Ur of the Chaldees; a record of seven
years of excavation Sir Charles L. Woolley
Evidence that the Biblical flood really happened and ex-
amples of victims of human sacrifice were revealed as the
legendary city of Ur emerged from the dust. 930a W9134ur



The Hebrews

"There will be good and doubt, it is not really as important to stress the religious factor in the history of Israel, as to point to the theme of prayer to God which their history so persuasively singes!"

Concise history of Israel
Marion A. Beck

†The Babylonians

Nathaniel N. Weinreb

Companion to powerful Nebuchadnezzar, learned physician, world traveler, Beladar is sent to Jerusalem to oppose Egyptian efforts to incite the Judeans to revolt.

Fiction

Behold your queen!

Gladys Malvern

Chosen from hundreds of girls to be the new Queen of Persia, Esther found love and happiness but also intrigue in the Royal Palace.

Fiction

†The Bible as history, a confirmation of the Book of Books

Werner Keller

Saul's mountain stronghold, the notorious Tower of Babel, and Solomon's vast stables, uncovered by scholars, indicate that "many events that previously passed for pious tales must now be judged to be historical."

220.9 K29b

Bible background

James W. D. Smith

In Israel today you may witness a timeless summons: an old Jew with his lips to the Shofar or ram's horn. Behind this custom and others is the centuries-old history of the Jews.

220.9 S651b

†Concise history of Israel: from
Abraham to the Bar Cochba rebellion Martinus A. Beek
For the Jewish people "their history was a source not only
of solace but also of promise for the future." 933 B414c

†David of Jerusalem Louis DeWohl
Poet and warrior, shepherd and giant-killer, young David
made his songs and went forth into battle secure in his faith in
God's strength. Fiction

†Esther Nathaniel N. Weinreb
Xerxes chose Esther, young and high-spirited, to be his
Queen, never suspecting that she was a Jew or that she would
dare defy him to champion her people. Fiction

Everyday life in Old Testament times Eric W. Heaton
The vinegrower takes his fruit to the wine-press, the house-
wife grinds corn, the soldier prepares to combat the Assyrian
war machine in this panorama of Israelite life. 221.9 H442e

The foreigner, the story of a girl named Ruth Gladys Malvern
Legally she was a piece of property that belonged to his
cousin, but the lovely foreigner, Ruth, had walked into Boaz's
fields and into his heart. Fiction

Lamp in Jerusalem Katherine D. M. Simons
As the beloved bride of the King of Judea Zibia had hoped
she would serve her people and her God, but she had not counted
on combating a jealous and implacable Queen-Mother who wor-
shipped Baal. Fiction

†Moses Shalom Asch
"What am I that it should be my lot to be God's emissary to
Israel? But God has taken me captive...and He has placed His
mission upon my shoulders." Fiction

On eagles' wings Arthur E. Southon
Pharaoh ordered that every Hebrew boy-child be slain. Yet
the prophecy of Egypt's priest, Jannes, was fulfilled: the son of a
slave would set his people free and, in so doing, would bring
catastrophe to Egypt. 221.9 S727

People in Palestine

Olivia E. Coolidge

Three cultures cross and clash in these stories of ancient Palestine. Fiction

The people of the Dead Sea Scrolls in

text and pictures

John M. Allegro

Contemtpuous of leaders who falsified their traditional faith, the Essenes withdrew to the City of Salt and "renounced worldly pleasures for the pursuit of spiritual rewards." 221 A422p

†The prophet

Shalom Asch

Cyrus, declared the prophet, would proclaim Jehovah the God of all Gentiles. But when Cyrus disappointed him, Isaiah, in his anguish, saw the true vision. Fiction

Saul's daughter

Gladys Malvern

The beautiful love story of Princess Michal and David, who was destined to win and break her heart. Fiction

†The sorceress

Nathaniel N. Weinreb

Disunity prevailed among the tribes of Israel even under Canaanite oppression until Deborah, the Judge, spoke for revolt and Barak, the fighter, came forth to lead them into battle. Fiction

†The source

James A. Michener

Makor in western Galilee is the source: a mythical mound on which a procession of people—Canaanites, Hebrews, Assyrians, and others—have left their mark. Fiction

Story of the Bible world in map, word, and picture

Nelson B. Keyes

Where did the "Peoples of the Sea" come from? Why did Pharaoh hold the Israelites in bondage? How was the mighty city of Babylon captured? 220.9 K44s

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Cretan and Mycenaean

"The Priest-King's Knossos is the record of a magnificent civilization which under the wings of the Double Axe, fourished thousands of years ago on an island in the Great Green Sea."

The House of the Double Axe
Agnes C. Vaughan

†The bull of Minos

Leonard Cottrell

The archaeological triumphs of Schliemann and Evans encouraged further investigation into Mycenaean legends, among them the slaying of the Minotaur by Theseus. 938a C851b

The first book of ancient Crete and Mycenae Charles A. Robinson

As gay frescoed walls, exquisite jewelry, and far-flung aqueducts emerge from the dust of centuries, archaeologists reconstruct a life of luxury in a brilliant society. 938 R6582f

†From the silent earth; a report
on the Greek Bronze Age

Joseph W. Alsop

"Mycenaean Greek society had been civilized, artificial, fruitful and in many respects beautiful." What caused its sudden destruction remains only one of the intriguing mysteries of early Greece. 938 A462f

†The House of the Double Axe; the
palace at Knossos

Agnes C. Vaughan

As the representative on Earth of a Mother Goddess, the Priest-King of Knossos dwelt in a magnificent palace and ruled a prosperous empire. 939a V364h

Realms of gold; a journey in
search of the Mycenaeans

Leonard Cottrell

In their wake, the Mycenaeans left "burned-out ruins of their palaces and a legacy of heroic poetry which has proved more enduring than their mighty walls and deep-dug tombs." 938a C851r



The Ancient Greeks

*Through the ages and its legend and culture
Hellenism is revealed in the Age of Alexander*

*"...one with the dust of ancient Greece in our
eyes look back across the centuries with con-
fessions of envy: wishing to be among them."*

Ancient Greece

Pierre S. R. Payne

through the ages

Ancient Greece

Duncan B. Taylor

This glance at Greek history touches on the men and events behind the "plays which are still acted, books which are still read, temples and statues on which the sun still shines."

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Pierre S. R. Payne

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Moses I. Finley

In their poetry and drama, philosophy and politics, sculpture and architecture, the Greeks "succeeded in capturing and recording the greatness of which the human mind and spirit are capable."

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†The ancient mariners; seafarers and sea fighters of the Mediterranean in ancient times

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To establish colonies, to trade, and to defend their city, Athenians built a first-rate Navy which surpassed the achievements of the Egyptians and Phoenicians and was never equaled by the Romans.

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Dorothy Mills

The spirit of Greece shines across the centuries in the arresting drama of Sophocles, in the wise rule of Solon, in the glowing ruins of the Parthenon.

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The classic myths in English literature and in art

Charles M. Gayley

The three Fates spin their thread of human destiny, Psyche questions her love, Oedipus and Antigone wander as beggars through the land in these chronicles of gods and men.

291 G287

Classical Greece

Sir Cecil M. Bowra

A zest for living, an exalted sense of man's worth, an intense appreciation of beauty, all tempered with moderation, produced the culture that became the cradle of the modern spirit.

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Everyday things in ancient Greece

Marjorie Quennell

The epics of Homer and the histories of Herodotus and Thucydides abound in many details of this ancient people worshipping their gods, enjoying games, music, and drama, and going forth into battle.

938a Q3ev

†The Greek experience

Sir Cecil M. Bowra

What did the Greeks really do? What were their essential, their unique qualities? What kind of men were they when they were alive?

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†The Greek stones speak

Paul L. MacKendrick

The centers of ancient Greek civilization—Troy, Mycenae, Pylos, Athens, Olympia—divulge their secrets as the dust of millennia is swept away from palaces, fortresses, shrines, and city walls.

938a M155g

The Greek way

Edith Hamilton

Witness the birth of philosophy, art, and government when "somewhere among those steep stone mountains, in little sheltered valleys...something quite new came into the world."

880 H217g

The Greeks; a great adventure

Isaac Asimov

The history of this ancient land has been marked by a succession of conflicts, from the wars of city-states bent on conquest to the guerrilla warfare of the twentieth century. 938 A832g

†Hellas; a short history of ancient Greece

Cyril E. Robinson

The ancient Greeks respected money, but they valued the creative life more; they paid tribute to deeds, but they treasured ideas; they believed in order and planning, but never at the expense of individual liberty.

938 R658h

†Hellenism, the history of a civilization

Arnold J. Toynbee

"What was the connexion between the Hellenes' worship of man and Hellenism's rise, achievements, breakdown, and eventual fall?"

938 T756h

History of ancient Olympic games

Lynn Poole

The Greek belief in "virile bodies and steel minds" was continually enforced by exercise and tested by athletic contests.

796.4 P822h

†The legacy of Greece

Sir Richard W. Livingstone

Eminent scholars examine the ideas of classical Greece and find in them the "nearest spiritual kin" to the concepts of the twentieth century.

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†The life of Greece

Will Durant

"All the problems that disturb us today—the conservatism of the established and the experimentalism of the unplaced, the corruption of politics and perversions of conduct; the struggle between democracy and dictatorship—all these agitated the brilliant and turbulent life of ancient Hellas."

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The lives of the noble Grecians and Romans Plutarchus

This is how the Greeks and Romans saw their own warriors and statesmen: "duty [was] performed and rewarded; arrogance chastised, hasty anger corrected; humanity, fair dealing, and generosity triumphing." 920 P737d

Mythology Thomas Bulfinch

Jason seeks the Golden Fleece; Daedalus attempts to conquer the skies; Proserpine is lost in the realms of the dead. 291 B933m

Mythology Edith Hamilton

Radiant divinities, preposterous monsters, and stalwart heroes transformed a world full of fear into a world full of beauty. 291 H217m

†Twelve men of action in Graeco-Roman history

Arnold J. Toynbee

Leaders as famous as Pericles and Cyrus and as obscure as Proxenus and Meno are viewed by ancient historians Thucydides, Xenophon, Polybius, and Plutarch. 920 T756t

age of legend-archaic greece

The bull from the sea Mary Renault

As King of Athens Theseus rejoiced in his success in uniting the warring tribes and in his love for beautiful Hippolyta. Then Medea's curse was fulfilled. Fiction

Daily life in the time of Homer Emile Mireaux

From the Homeric epics themselves come the "minutiae of the descriptions and the technical precision of the vocabulary, both in manual arts and in law and government", which enable us to reconstruct this pivotal age of Greece. 938 M674d

Greeks and Trojans Rex Warner

Achilles refuses to fight, Hector goes to his death, the divine beings on Olympus take sides as the decisive battle of Troy draws near. 938 W283g

Heroes of Greece and Troy

Roger L. Green

"...the Greek names fling back the magic casements on the instant—led by them we step right back into the Heroic Age, into the bright, misty morning of legend and literature." 292 G797h

The Iliad

Homerus

The most beautiful woman in the world started a ten-year struggle between Trojans and Greeks; a treacherous hollow horse ended it. 883 H3ipi

The king must die

Mary Renault

Tradition decreed that each year the king must be sacrificed to ensure his eternal youth. But Theseus broke tradition. Fiction

The Odyssey

Homerus

Brave Odysseus outwits the Cyclops, resists the temptations of Circe, survives the perils of Scylla and Charybdis, and returns—almost too late—to Penelope. 883 H3opi

The Trojan War

Olivia E. Coolidge

While Zeus thunders and the earth trembles, Greeks and Trojans meet and clash—and clash again—on the plains of the Skamander. 938 C774t

fThe world of Odysseus

Moses I. Finley

"It was an aristocratic world. It was a world whose gods were like men. It was a world, almost exclusively, of warriors and kings, a world where few things counted except riches, prowess, and honor." 883 F513w

age of glory—hellenic greece

†Daily life in Greece at the time of Pericles Robert Flacelière

A young Athenian girl lived an extremely secluded life while her Spartan sister practiced sports in the company of boys. This was only one way in which the two foremost Greek cities differed.

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A day in old Athens, a picture of Athenian life William S. Davis

What kind of city was Athens? What was its special combination of intellect, freedom, and prosperity that produced men such as Plato, Phidias, and Sophocles? 938 D265

Men of Athens

Olivia E. Coolidge

They vied strenuously in the Olympics, served pridefully on their Council, discussed knowledgeably philosophy and art—all with the particular grace of Athenians. 938t C774m

†Pericles the Athenian

Rex Warner

For fifteen years Pericles brought power and glory to Athens, but the rising tide of misfortune changed the cheers of acclaim to cries of blame. Fiction

Socrates, the man who dared to ask

Cora Mason

He outgrew the thinking of his time and found a new way of examining and questioning what others accepted. 92 S678m

A victor of Salamis: a tale of the days of
Xerxes, Leonidas and Themistocles

William S. Davis

Glaucon, a young Athenian athlete, makes the supreme sacrifice to save his country from defeat at the Battle of Salamis. Fiction

The voice of Apollo

Mary Ray

His hand badly burned in the fire that destroyed Apollo's temple, Phaeton vows to compete in the Olympic Games somehow. Fiction

hellenistic greece and the age of alexander

Alexander of Macedon: the journey to the
world's end

Harold Lamb

Enlightened statesman or inheritor of a well-ordered kingdom? Brilliant commander or figurehead of a veteran army? Master strategist or reckless gambler with men's lives? Which was the real Alexander? 92 A3745L

Alexander the Great

Horizon

"To have accomplished everything he had set out to do, he probably would have had to be what he pretended—a god."

92 A3745h

Alexander the Great, conqueror and creator of a new world

Charles A. Robinson

Alexander appears as the "Lord of the Two Horns in the Koran, as a Christian saint in Ethiopia, and as a knight in medieval France." An historian unravels the real man.

92 A3745r

The arrows of Hercules

L. Sprague De Camp

A young engineer who can build machines that hurl missiles farther than any bow or slingshot joins forces with a tyrant ambitious for power and new lands.

Fiction

Besieger of cities

Alfred L. Duggan

"When danger threatens some men draw their swords and other men run away." Demetrius, heir to part of Alexander's empire, drew his sword.

Fiction

†The echo of Greece

Edith Hamilton

Athens is defeated by Sparta. The century that follows becomes "the introduction to a world-tragedy, the disappearance of creative power in Greece." Yet, this is the century of Plato and Aristotle.

938 H217e

The exploits of Xenophon

Geoffrey Household

Xenophon restored order to the demoralized Greek troops after the death of Cyrus at Cunaxa and led the defeated forces through uncharted enemy territory to safety.

938 H842e

Hostage to Alexander

Mary E. Andrews

As a pledge of his city's loyalty to the Macedonians, Damon of Rhodes travels with Alexander and views first-hand the building of an empire.

Fiction

Land of foam

Ivan A. Efremov

A young sculptor, lacking confidence in his ability, leaves his beloved Thessa and his homeland as he searches for beauty.

Fiction

The Etruscans

"The rise and fall of the Etruscans was incredibly swift; almost as if they late in which days believed had marked the path they were to walk and, when they had reached its end, had destined them to disappear, as their mythical law-giver Tages disappeared when he had fulfilled his mission."¹⁰

Those mysterious Etruscans
Agnes C. Vaughan

†Daily life of the Etruscans

Jacques Heurgon

From scattered references in ancient literature, from paintings in family tombs, from their tools and ornaments, historians piece together life in the first great Italian civilization.

937a H594d

†The Etruscan

Mika T. Waltari

"Go to the West whence you once came," the god of Delphi told Turms. And he set out to discover his identity and his fortune.

Fiction

†The Etruscans

Raymond Bloch

"Several enigmas combine to give these first inhabitants of Tuscany a strange and secret air. Where did they come from? What language did they speak?"

937a B651e

Omen of the birds

Harry Behn

In a vision Tanquil beheld herself married to the King of Rome. Would he be Servius Tullius or Caele, nephew of Etruria's prince?

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Dorothy Mills

From a small settlement on the banks of the Tiber, Rome grew to become conqueror and law-giver, mistress first of the Mediterranean, then of the world.

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Will Durant

"This is the essential accomplishment of Rome—that having won the Mediterranean world she adopted its culture, gave it order, prosperity, and peace for 200 years, held back the tide of barbarism for two centuries more, and transmitted the classic heritage to the West before she died."

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How much freedom did a woman of Imperial Rome have? What gods did the Romans truly revere? What were the privileges and responsibilities of Roman citizenship?

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Everyday life in ancient Rome

Frank R. Cowell

In the crowded city which ruled an empire, the ordinary citizen raised his family in a simple home, sacrificed to traditional gods, and found pleasure in the baths or the circus.

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The Roman way

Edith Hamilton

The Romans—as their great writers portrayed them in comic drama, thundering oration, and romantic poetry.

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†The Romans

Reginald H. Barrow

What manner of man was the Roman citizen? What qualities made up the essential genius of the Roman mind?

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937 S559

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I marched with Hannibal

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Did a presentiment of treachery impel Caesar to assess his achievements on the eve of the Ides of March?

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Politician of great acumen, daring general, wise administrator, accomplished author, Caesar left his indelible mark on the civilization of the western world. 92 C128du

†A pillar of iron

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Dedicated to saving his beloved Republic, Cicero turned the full force of his eloquence against the new politicians—Caesar, Crassus, and Pompey.

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†Seven Roman statesmen of the later Republic:

the Gracchi, Sulla, Crassus, Cato,

Pompey, Caesar

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In the final century of the Republic, events were shaped by a succession of statesmen whose ideas and actions, ambitions and decisions set Rome on the road to autocracy.

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†Spartacus

Howard M. Fast

“An ordinary man who was a slave put his face against tyranny and oppression, and for four years mighty Rome trembled at the very mention of his name.”

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In the violent political rivalries and useless wars which filled the years of his youth, young Caesar forged his knowledge of men and government.

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Andivius Hedulio, adventures of a Roman nobleman

in the days of the empire

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A minor oversight of his secretary and the whim of a friend implicate Hedulio in a plot against the Emperor Commodus and, from the height of fortune, he drops to the status of slave, traitor, and assassin.

Fiction

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Fiction

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A cruel master had instilled in the slave Nicolan an unrelenting hatred of all Romans. Now, riding with the plundering army of Attila, he proposed to even the score.

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When a Roman legion commanded by his father mysteriously disappeared in Britain, Marcus Aguila enlisted the aid of a slave to find it and redeem the legion's standard.

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A young prince from Gaul escapes from a Roman galley and
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†The great invasion

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With lightning guerrilla raids and savage resistance by Queen
Boudicca's army, Britons kept the mighty Roman legions at bay
for forty years.

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†Hadrian

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political innovator, he bequeathed to later ages a magnificent
treasure of achievement."

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†I, Claudius; from the autobiography of
Tiberius Claudius, born B. C. 10, murdered and
deified A. D. 54

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Witness to the intrigues and follies that characterized the
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Fiction

†I loved Tiberius

Elisabeth Dored

Compelled by her father, Augustus Caesar, to marry twice
for political expediency, Julia vowed that, for the last time, she
would marry the man she had always loved.

Fiction

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Who was the man her father had chosen for her husband? And
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Lustful, pagan Pompeii submits to the terrors of volcanic
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Phaedrus was an ex-slave who had won his freedom in the fierce battle of the Arena at Corstopitum, but would his wits and valor be equal to wresting control of the Dalraidain tribe from their legendary queen?

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A zealous friend makes a desperate trip to his Emperor in hopes of helping the poet, Severus.

Fiction

†The myth of Rome's fall

Richard M. Haywood

Why did this great empire, which really represented the whole Greco-Roman civilization, finally cease to be? 937 H427m

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Cast off by the British tribe which had sheltered him as a child, rejected by his father's people in Rome, Beric is sold into slavery and condemned to the galleys for life.

Fiction

Roman Britain

Roger Sellman

Towns and trade, forums and fortified walls, roads and baths all came to Britain during the four centuries she remained an Imperial Province.

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Roman wall

Winifred Bryher

As barbarian hordes threaten the Roman settlement in Aventicum, Valerius the soldier, Demetrius the itinerant trader, and Vinodius the Governor meet, each in his own way, this challenge to the known order.

Fiction

†S. P. Q. R., the history and social life
of ancient Rome

Eberhard C. Kennedy

"Octavian possessed no brilliant qualities either as soldier or as politician; yet he succeeded in accomplishing what all the great figures of the later Republic had failed to achieve—a stable and effective form of autocratic government."

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The silver branch

Rosemary Sutcliff

To thwart a plot against his emperor, a young army surgeon becomes a counter-spy in Roman Britain.

Fiction

The unwilling vestal; a tale of Rome
under the Ceasars

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Because she refused to marry the man he had chosen for her, Brinnaria's father offered her to the service of the Vestal Virgins.

Fiction

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Jilted by a young Roman nobleman, Lavinia follows her parents into exile in the farthest reaches of the Empire—the barbaric island of Britain.

Fiction

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The Early Christians

"One could have thought the very earth was sending up the cry of mankind's yearning for salvation. It was as though Man, groping blindly, had found heaven's gate to knock against, and God in his mercy was sending His answer."

Mary
Shelton Anals

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A young man of a noble Jewish family is condemned to the galleys, but escapes, bent on revenge, until John the Baptist and Jesus of Nazareth turn his zeal to another cause. Fiction

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Daniel swears retaliation against the Romans for the death of his parents, but the strange and powerful words of Jesus change his plans. Fiction

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Everyday life in New Testament times Alan C. Bouquet

"Although they had no aircraft, no radio, no mechanical transport, and no electrical gadgets, they had plenty of gadgets of their own, [and] they were no more stupid than we are."

225 B765e

Fabiola Cardinal Nicholas P. Wiseman

Fabiola berated the Christian martyrs for sacrificing themselves in a worthless cause. Then Syra, her mysterious slave, raised questions she could not answer.

Fiction

A fig in winter Willa Gibbs

Only to his friend, the Christian slave Julian, could the Emperor Marcus Aurelius entrust his thoughts on the problems of empire, and even the precious manuscript in which he recorded his sacred beliefs.

Fiction

†The glorious folly, a novel of the time of St. Paul Louis DeWohl

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Fiction

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†Imperial renegade Louis DeWohl

Julian, Emperor of Rome, tried to turn back the rising tide of Christianity—and almost succeeded.

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In the few fateful hours spent with Jesus, the teen-aged John Mark began his life's work: learning about the Messiah, carrying the message of his faith to many lands, and finally writing the story down.

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†The Lord Jesus

Pierre S. R. Payne

"Whenever they saw him in the streets of Capernaum, the townspeople were struck by the beauty of his expression, his strange manner of walking." Who was this compelling young man? Was he truly the Messiah foretold by the prophets? Fiction

†Mary

Shalom Asch

"Forget your dream," Miriam was told. But she knew that "she had stood face to face with the angel; and Yeshua was born according to the angel's word." Fiction

†The Nazarene

Shalom Asch

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greatest career women of ancient times, the

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Accused of breaking her sacred vestal's vows, a young Roman priestess is condemned to be buried alive. Fiction

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The royal centurion whose spear ended Jesus' life sought vengeance for his father's betrayal, until he came under the influences of gentle Naomi and of Christianity.

Fiction

†The thorn of Arimathea

Frank G. Slaughter

Sent to Jerusalem to bring the fabled healer to the bedside of the dying Roman Emperor, Quintus Volusianus finds Jesus of Nazareth has been crucified but that His teachings live on.

Fiction



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